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NEW ADS. THIS WEEK.

Sleigh Wanted.
Village Caucus.
Liberation Notice.
Stowe's Pop Corn.
Van Houten's Cocoa.
At Laughlin's, Barnet.
They Help—D. E. May.
Oysters—W. O. Greeley.
I Called—C. S. Hastings.
Caledonia Bank Meeting.
Bingham's Holiday Goods.
Holiday Goods—Flint Bros.
A Few Pointers—Steele & Co.
We Invite You—A. D. Rowell.
Photographs—J. C. Spaulding.
Don't You Want—L. W. Smith.
Lowest Prices—E. N. Randall's.
Holiday Slippers—C. H. Bagley.
Uncle Remus Says—P. G. Bundy.
St. Johnsbury Electric Company.
Christmas Goods—Geo. E. Crow.
There's No Mistake—J. A. Moore.
All Are Interested—C. S. Hastings.
Why, Why, Why?—Wilson & King.
Christmas Opening—E. & T. Fairbanks & Co.
Nothing Succeeds Like Success—T. C. Spencer.

Weather Record.

At Bingham's Drug Store, for the week ending Dec. 9, 1891.

	Highest.	Lowest
Thursday	32	8
Friday	45	14
Saturday	47	32
Sunday	40	31
Monday	38	25
Tuesday	33	19
Wednesday	41	25

The dash indicates below zero.

NEWS ABOUT HOME.

—The Mahogany Quartet sing at Bellows Falls on the evening of the 21st.

—Our "local notices" this week comprise many paragraphs that it will pay to read.

—Judging from our Barnet correspondence, the Cecilians made a hit there the other evening.

—The primary schools close this week for a three weeks' vacation, resuming work again after New Years.

—The hose cart belonging to Hose company No. 5 will be kept hereafter in Warren Estabrook's store house on Railroad street.

—The election of officers of Olive Branch lodge, Daughters of Rebekah, will occur on Tuesday, Dec. 15. A full attendance is desired.

—There will be a Christmas sale at the parlors of the Methodist church on Thursday and Friday evening of this week, with a chicken pie supper on Friday evening.

—The Shepard Family appeared at the Opera House on Saturday evening to a small audience, and gave a pleasing concert. The members of the family are full of music.

—People who purpose being present at the exercises in connection with the Museum dedication are urged to be on time, as it is desired to begin promptly at 7.30.

—A caucus to put in nomination village officers for the ensuing year, to be voted for at the annual meeting January 6, is called for Saturday evening of next week, at 7.30, at the town hall.

—The heavy wind of Friday night blew down a large pine tree near the electric light station and the tree fell right across the wires. The break in the circuit came at a bad time, but the boys had connections made in about an hour.

—One of the neatest Christmas presents that can be found this year, for a St. Johnsbury man or woman living elsewhere, is a copy of "St. Johnsbury Illustrated." They are going like hot cakes, so drop in early with your orders.

—The next meeting of the Vermont dairymen's association will be held at Brattleboro for three days beginning January 12. An extended notice of this gathering, in which all our dairymen should be interested, will appear shortly.

—County court, which was to have begun its regular business for the December term on Tuesday last, was given a further recess till Tuesday of next week. Judge Start was still so busy in court at Montpelier that he was unable to come to St. Johnsbury.

—St. Johnsbury people who reside in other places are receiving copies of "St. Johnsbury Illustrated" from friends here who believe the book will prove an entertaining companion. On Friday night last a whole sack of the books was sent out from the post office.

—The check lists for use at the coming village meeting, the first week in January, have been posted at

Fairbanks grocery store, the post office, Boynton & Calderwood's, Powers' store in Summerville and Dean's at Paddock village. It will be well to make sure that your name is written there.

—The annual sale by the ladies of the North church will be held at the church parlors on Monday evening next, beginning at 7.30. Fancy and useful articles will be obtainable, with home-made candies and cake, and the usual large attendance is looked for.

—The program for the band concert at Music hall on Saturday evening is a choice one and comprises eleven numbers—among them cornet, piccolo and clarinet solos and an entertaining variety of other music. The concert begins at 8 o'clock, and the hall should be well filled.

—Chamberlin Post has secured D. J. Foster, formerly of Burlington, now of Dartmouth College, to deliver the Memorial Day address here in May next. Mr. Foster will be remembered as a former student at St. Johnsbury Academy, and an excellent address may be expected from him.

—The meeting for the organization of a county union of Christian Endeavor will be held at the North church chapel tomorrow afternoon and evening, and it is hoped that all who are interested in this branch of Christian activity will attend. The delegates from out of town will be entertained by the local societies.

—There will be a Sunday school concert at the Railroad street Baptist church next Sunday evening at half-past six, at which time the exercise entitled "Anniversary Leaves," given at a former concert, will be repeated, the rest of the program being new. At this time a collection will be taken for the purpose of buying presents for the younger members of the school.

HOLIDAY SOUVENIRS.

Any souvenir that has a local significance is particularly desirable, and the souvenir china calendars for 1892 at Fairbanks' dry goods store are very pretty and useful. On one side of the plaque is a calendar for 1892 and on the other one of these four designs, the Museum, Academy, North church, Athenaeum. They were manufactured in England especially for E. & T. Fairbanks & Co. and are having a ready sale at 25 cents apiece.

"A SCRAP OF PAPER."

This drama was creditably given at Music hall on Thursday and Friday evenings of last week, under the auspices of a company of young ladies, whose efforts in a charitable direction fully deserved the net response secured on this occasion—namely, sixty dollars. The costumes were very fine indeed; the stage settings, also excellent, were generously loaned by Hall & Stanley; and the entertainment passed off smoothly. If the hospital scheme, for which the drama was given, fails to materialize, the proceeds will be devoted to other charitable objects.

RAILROAD NEWS.

Contractor Varnum tells the Hardwick Gazette man something about the proposed new road in that vicinity, as follows: "We have completed a survey from the Woodbury Granite Company's Mountain quarry to the end of the branch at Buffalo road, and find it a very feasible route to build. This route will open up a large amount of granite, as it is running over good granite territory nearly all the way from the north end of Buck lake to the Mountain quarry. The estimates will soon be made and submitted, when it is expected that, with the assistance they will get from Woodbury, Hardwick, and the parties owning property along the line, it will be built and completed in the early spring."

The Woodstock Standard is stirring up the matter of a road from Woodstock to Rutland, and hints that the building of that thoroughfare is likely to take tangible shape in the near future.

The breaking of the dam at Wolcott last Friday night let a quantity of logs down against the railroad bridge and put that structure a little out of plumb, but did not in the least interfere with travel.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Mrs. B. G. Howe, who has been quite ill with pneumonia, is much better.

R. E. Lewis of the U. V. M. at Burlington was in town for three days last week.

Lemuel S. Hastings and wife of Nashua, N. H., has been visiting his relatives in town.

Mrs. Dan Streeter is convalescing from a serious illness. Her daughter, Miss May Streeter, has returned to Concord, N. H.

Mr. and Mrs. Ashton R. Willard of Boston, who have been spending the summer in Italy, sail for home next Saturday.

Rev. M. C. Henderson supplied at the Railroad street Baptist church last Sunday and will preach there again next Sunday.

Charles D. Hazen is now in Paris, where he will spend a year at the University of Paris studying history and political economy.

Miss Mary Howe, Vermont's favorite soprano, was married to W. L. Lavin, the tenor, of Detroit, Mich., at Cleveland the other day.

President M. H. Buckham of the University of Vermont, who is to deliver the address at the dedication of the Museum, was in town on Friday last.

Marshall Montgomery has been appointed aide-de-camp on the staff of Commander-in-Chief Palmer of the G. A. R. The appointment was a complete surprise to Mr. Montgomery.

Judge Rising, who is presiding over the Graves murder trial at Denver, Col., is a Vermont and a native of Washington county. He is an old schoolmate of Albert Worcester and E. E. Sargent and came to St. Johnsbury last summer to call on them.

Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Patterson reached their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary last Saturday and the young men at the scale office fittingly remembered the occasion by presenting Mr. Patterson with a solid silver spoon and a pie fork. Mr. Patterson is the oldest man in service at the office.

President L. F. Menage of the Northeastern Guaranty Loan Co., of Minneapolis, and F. H. Fisher, the Burlington agent of this company, were in town Tuesday. Mr. Menage is delighted over the decision of the republican national committee to have the next national convention in Minneapolis, and says that the whole Northwest will open its arms to the visiting delegates and their friends.

Marshall O. Edson, a graduate of the Academy in the class of '87 and Dartmouth College '91, has resigned his position with Ginn & Co., the Boston publishers, and is on the reportorial staff of the New York Tribune. Mr. Edson was the correspondent of the Montpelier Watchman and the CALEDONIAN during the last session of the legislature and is eminently qualified for journalistic work.

SOME NEW BOOKS.

New books for the holidays, just received, from Lee & Shepard, Boston, reviews of which will appear shortly, include "Grandfather Gray," "Heir of Bradley House," "White Slaves," "Stand by the Union," "Little Folks East and West," "Little Captain Doppelkop" and an "All Around the Year" calendar. On sale at A. D. Rowell's.

THE MUSEUM DEDICATION.

The dedication of the Museum of Natural Science will occur on Tuesday evening of next week, the musical and literary features beginning at 7.30 sharp, at Music Hall. Following is the programme arranged for that occasion:

Music by the St. Johnsbury Band, from 7.15 to 7.30.

Chanting of the 148th Psalm by the Mahogany Quartet.

Prayer by Rev. Edward T. Fairbanks.

Address of presentation by Col. Franklin Fairbanks.

Acceptance on behalf of the people by Rev. C. M. Lamson.

Dedication Ode, written for the occasion and sung by the Mahogany Quartet.

Address by President M. H. Buckham of the University of Vermont.

Music by the Band.

Following these exercises at the hall, a reception will be held at the Museum, to which, as well as to the literary exercises, the public are cordially invited.

RECENT DEATHS.

Green.

William Green died Monday, of pneumonia, after about a week's illness. He was nearly 81 years old and came to this town about 45 years ago. Two years after he entered the employ of the late Joseph P. Fairbanks, and for about 15 years rendered faithful service to this family. For the past 23 years he had been a trustee of the St. Johnsbury Cemetery association and was also superintendent of the cemetery. Mr. Green performed a difficult part with rare tact and faithfulness and this position will now be an extremely perplexing one to fill. He was particularly proud of the beauty of our cemetery, and its quiet attractiveness was due in a large measure to Mr. Green's faithful labors there. He was a strong man intellectually and had a remarkably well-balanced mind. He was a consistent member of the South church. He leaves a wife and two children.

Curtis.

James W. Curtis, an esteemed citizen of Waterford, died December 3, of consumption. Mr. Curtis was born in Charleston, Vt., in 1833, and had been a resident of Waterford for thirty years. He had followed the vocations of merchant, shoemaker and farmer, the last number of years being devoted strictly to the farm. He was in service one year in the war for the Union, as member of Co. K, 15th Vermont Volunteers, and had served the town acceptably in several important offices. During a greater part of his lingering illness he had been attended by his sister, Mrs. Huntley, who, with his only surviving son, John E. Curtis, has the sympathy of the community. At the time of the revival in 1875 Mr. Curtis became interested in religious matters and united with the Lower Waterford Congregational church. The Christian faith smoothed his way during a long and trying illness down through the shadow. The funeral was held on Sunday and conducted by Rev. George Roger. About 40 members of Chamberlin post, of which Mr. Curtis was a member, went over from St. Johnsbury to the funeral.

"TELL ME THE OLD, OLD STORY."

Another Southern land company that appears to have "gone under" is that of the Georgia-Alabama Investment and Development Co. of Tallapoosa, Ga. Considerable stock of this company was held by our citizens, who first bought in the Tallapoosa company and then had it transferred to the new company when the Tallapoosa company was re-organized. The stock was marketed at \$3 a share and steadily advanced until the company closed out their issue of stock at \$4 a share. Arthur C. Randall was the largest stockholder in town and sold out his entire holdings at a good profit. He also advised every one else to close out their stock as considerable stock was placed by him among his friends. All but one or two of the St. Johnsbury stockholders sold their stock at a good figure, so that St. Johnsbury people lost nothing, but had a pretty close call. As the stock is now selling at 60 cents a share Mr. Randall and his friends are to be congratulated on their disposal of their part of it.

STATE GRANGE.

The twentieth annual session of the Vermont State Grange began here yesterday and continues through today, in Odd Fellows hall. The meeting yesterday afternoon was well attended, and consisted of an interesting program. J. O. Sanford gave an address on "Increasing the fertility of the farm," followed by V. I. Spear, who spoke on "The attractions of Vermont." Both are members of the state board of agriculture. The president then called on eight persons for two minute talks. After these Prof. L. R. Jones of Burlington gave a very instructive talk on "Plant Diseases," which was illustrated with charts and samples. Next week we shall give an account of both days' proceedings.

CHURCH NOTES.

Rev. Dr. A. B. Leonard, a missionary secretary of the Methodist denomination, gave a stirring address at the Methodist church here on Sunday last, making an effective appeal in behalf of missions. At the North church also the importance of missions and the necessity of hearty participation in such work by every church were earnestly set forth by Rev. Mr. Lamson.

WITH THE BOARD OF TRADE.

The Board of Trade meeting on Monday evening was well attended. President Turner, at the outset, in reviewing the work accomplished during the past year, emphasized the importance of having faith in one's own town, and said that this faith, coupled with a reasonable amount of energy and push, would result very advantageously for any community. C. T. Walter, for the agricultural committee, reported progress in the project of a canning factory, and the president also made a few remarks on this subject, showing that the committee were still at work, with encouraging prospects of ultimate success. A. B. Noyes was called on for a statement as to the national fish hatchery, and gave the meeting an idea of what the situation was, showing that the government officials were very favorably impressed with the location which St. Johnsbury offered for the hatchery; the date of the final decision of the matter is uncertain. A vote of the directors to purchase numerous copies of "St. Johnsbury Illustrated" to be used by the board in a business way, was ratified, the books to be distributed under the direction of the president and secretaries. A committee of five, with O. S. Abbott as chairman, was appointed to consider the propriety of holding a board of trade sociable.

BUSINESS NOTES.

Richard Donaghy has bought out the plumbing business of Goss Brothers. Mr. Donaghy has had charge of the village plumbing at one time and also worked for himself in this line.

Warren Estabrooks has completed a store house, 72 by 28 feet, in the rear of his store block on Railroad street. The total length of his store building is now 208 feet and it extends from Railroad to Pearl street. His store is the longest in town and the firm are doing big business this year.

Jarvis Bartlett and Fred Estabrooks have sold out their billiard hall under the Avenue house to Fred Allison and Felix Gay. The latter will give up his saloon in Ward's block.

J. W. Ranson & Co. of this place have just closed a contract with the Baldwin refrigerator company of Burlington to furnish all the hardware used by that flourishing concern in the manufacture of a useful instrument of household warfare. The contract covers five years' time and involves a large amount of business. Score another for a St. Johnsbury industry.

Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

Prof. Brackett gave an interesting talk to men at the association hall last Sunday afternoon, on "Physical Sin," and F. H. Brooks sang. The subject of next Sunday afternoon's meeting will be "Christian Growth," and the Messrs. Atwood will sing.

The lecture by Prof. J. B. De Motte occurs tonight at Music hall, and promises to be well worth hearing. The subject is "Old Ocean, our Slave and Master."

The Woman's Auxiliary held a meeting Tuesday afternoon to arrange for a reception to the local clergy at the association rooms on the 14th inst.

CHAMBERLIN POST ELECTIONS.

The annual meeting of Chamberlin Post, No. 1, for the election of officers, was held on Saturday evening, and these were chosen: Commander, Abel W. Roberts; S. V. commander, Marshall Montgomery; J. V. commander, Henry A. Moore; quartermaster, George P. Moore; surgeon, Gates B. Bullard; chaplain, E. C. Potter; officer of the day, Lyndon Arnold; officer of guard, John W. Page; delegates, W. P. Chaffee, S. W. Parkhurst, W. H. Ward, J. S. Thompson; alternates, S. W. Hubbard, W. H. Herrick, Fred E. Carpenter, E. E. Hovey; trustees, E. L. Hovey, Geo. R. Crosby, L. W. Fisher.

Brigham academy, at Bakersfield, is in luck, the trustees having been notified that Mrs. Sarah B. Jacobs, a native of Bakersfield, and sister of Peter Brent Brigham, the founder of the academy, who died in Boston last week, had willed all except about \$5000 of her estate, valued at some \$100,000, to the academy as an endowment fund.

THE UNDERWRITERS.

Some Account of their Quarterly Meeting here this Week.

The quarterly meeting of the Vermont association of life underwriters was held at the St. Johnsbury house parlors Tuesday. There was an unusually small attendance for one of these gatherings, but the meeting was a most profitable one. Gen. W. H. S. Whitcomb of Burlington presided and George H. Smalley, also of Burlington, was secretary.

At the afternoon session E. E. Sargent was elected a member of the association and P. D. Blodgett elected to fill a vacancy in the executive committee. The most important action taken was the expulsion from the association of L. P. Norton of Bennington. Following is the full text of the resolution:

Whereas, L. P. Norton of the Northwestern Life Insurance Co. has most persistently and continuously violated the rules and regulations of this association, and whereas he has proffered his resignation, which said resignation is hereby accepted by this association, and his connection therewith is hereby terminated without the formality of a trial;

Therefore, resolved, that this association representing the Life Insurance fraternity of Vermont hereby puts upon record its unanimous condemnation of the methods hitherto and recently employed by said Norton in soliciting life insurance.

The evening session was a regular love feast and the members present related many amusing incidents of their business and expressed a great interest in the work of this association.

President Whitcomb said he would not change his calling for any other profession in the world.

J. H. Robinson, vice-president and manager of the Vermont Life Insurance Co., said the power to create ideas was a great one, and that this is the purpose and achievement of life insurance. It goes beyond the savings bank. It encourages accumulation and incites one to make sacrifices for future gains. Mr. Robinson gave an eloquent and scholarly address and was heartily applauded at the close.

C. R. Turrill spoke of the advantages of this association in increasing the respect and popularity of the life insurance agent.

Rev. S. H. Anderson of Newport said he was endeavoring to insure people for this life and the life to come.

L. J. Eldridge of Morrisville spoke of the cordiality existing between the different agents in the state as the natural result of this organization.

E. E. Sargent was introduced as one who had been connected with the same company for over 25 years. Mr. Sargent related several capital stories and C. S. Hastings, P. D. Blodgett and J. H. Drew welcomed the association to St. Johnsbury.

George H. Smalley spoke of the pleasure he received in paying insurance to those who have been entirely destitute.

A. P. Childs of Bennington said this association had transformed hatred that worked to no purpose into a welded unity that works together for common humanity. He predicted that within ten years there would be a larger insurance business upon the lives of women than the aggregate insurance upon the lives of all the men, women and children in Vermont today.

T. C. Cheney of Morrisville was the last speaker and congratulated the association on this most successful gathering.

The following telegram was read from Gov. Page:

I wish the Vermont association of life underwriters much pleasure at their banquet tonight. I regret very much my inability to participate with you in your festivities. The best I can offer of my faith in you and your work is the large increase I have made in my line of life insurance since your meeting one year ago.

Letters of regret were also read from Col. George N. Carpenter, late president of the National association of life underwriters, and Col. John Linnehan, insurance commissioner of New Hampshire. Letters were also read from George Thornton and William H. Beers, superintendent and president respectively of the New York Life Insurance company, thanking the association for their confidence in that company.

It was 11 o'clock when the meeting adjourned, but all voted that it had been the most profitable in the history of the association.

The Vermont Humane society will hold a general convention of that body at Vergennes on December 15. Addresses may be expected from well known speakers who are deeply interested in the work of the society.

The subscriptions in aid of the chapel at the Soldiers' Home in Bennington now amount to \$1486.53, and include contributions from interested people all over the state. On the strength of this the building will be commenced in the spring, and it is expected that there will be little difficulty in making the total up to \$2500, which is the sum required for the structure.